

EASTERN MARKETS.

CHICAGO

Wheat opened at Chicago on Monday, October 15, at \$1.12 for November, and ranged from \$1.09½ to \$1.12½. December ranged from 1.10½ to 1.15. Opening figures were 2 to 3c under Saturday's close. Long wheat was unloaded freely, and prices were weak. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.09	1.11½	—	1.10½
Corn	43½	40½	—	39
Oats	24½	25½	—	29½
Pork	15.00	—	14.30	—
Lard	9.00	8.20	8.17½	—
Short Ribs	8.25	—	7.25	—

Prices again opened lower on Tuesday. November wheat ranged from \$1.09½ to \$1.11½, closing at the top. December ranged from \$1.10½ to \$1.13½. Prices were weak on the start, under pressure of long wheat, but this was but temporary. Later offerings were light, and prices firmed up. There was good buying of May option. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.11	1.15½	—	1.14
Corn	43	40½	—	39½
Oats	24	25	—	29½
Pork	15.00	—	14.17½	—
Lard	8.75	8.12½	8.10	—
Short Ribs	7.97½	—	7.20	—

On Wednesday, October wheat opened at 1.11½ and ranged from 1.10½ to 1.11½. December ranged from 1.12½ to 1.14½. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.10½	1.12½	—	1.12½
Corn	43½	40½	—	39½
Oats	24½	25½	—	29½
Pork	15.00	14.07½	14.17½	—
Lard	8.70	8.12½	8.10	—
Short Ribs	7.90	—	7.20	—

Trading in wheat was rather light on Thursday, but with occasional spurts, which sent prices up or down. December opened at \$1.12, and ranged from \$1.11½ to \$1.13½. There was large buying of pork, of a speculative nature. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.09½	1.11½	—	1.12½
Corn	43½	40½	—	39½
Oats	24½	—	—	—
Pork	15.00	14.37½	14.47½	—
Lard	8.75	8.15	—	—
Short Ribs	7.92½	—	7.27½	—

On Friday, wheat was quiet. Prices advanced 1½c, but fell back. December ranged from 1.12 to 1.13½. The market was the least interesting of the week, and without special features. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.10	1.12½	—	1.12½
Corn	43½	40½	—	39½
Oats	24½	24½	—	29½
Pork	15.00	14.50	—	—
Lard	8.57½	8.25	—	—
Short Ribs	7.75	—	7.35	—

Saturday's closing figures were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.14	1.10½	—	1.14
Corn	43½	40½	—	39½
Oats	24½	25½	—	29½
Pork	15.00	14.52½	14.62½	—
Lard	8.57½	8.22½	8.20	—

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

Prices were weak on Monday. No. 1 hard cash sold at 1.22, but closed at 1.19½. On Tuesday prices closed stronger. No. 1 hard cash sold at 1.20 and closed at 1.21. On Wednesday and Thursday prices closed about the lowest points of the day, top prices being about 2c above closing figures. On Thursday No. 1 northern closed at 1.10, and No. 2 northern at 1.00. The market was quiet but firm on Friday. Closing prices for No. 1 hard on each day of the week were:

	Cash.	Nov.	Dec.	May
Monday	1.19½	1.22	1.17½	1.19½
Tuesday	1.21	—	1.19	1.22
Wednesday	1.19½	—	1.17½	1.20½
Thursday	1.19	—	1.17½	1.20½
Friday	1.20-21	—	1.18½	1.21½

On Saturday December wheat opened at 1.18½, and May opened at 1.21½. At the close December stood at 1.20 and May at 1.23½.

MINNEAPOLIS.

Closing quotations on Thursday for wheat were as follows:—

	Cash.	Dec.	On track
No. 1 hard	1.20	1.20	1.20
No. 1 northern	1.10	1.10½	1.12½
No. 2 "	1.14	1.10	1.05

Closing quotations for flour were: Patents, sacks to local dealers, \$6.80; patents to ship, sacks, car lots, \$6.65 to \$6.80; in barrels, \$6.85 to \$7.00; bakers, here, \$4.90 to \$5.60; superfine, \$3.00 to \$4.60; red dog, sack, \$1.60 to \$1.65; red dog, barrel, \$1.80 to \$1.85.

The *Northwestern Miller* of Thursday says of flour: There have been two declines in flour during the week. The demand has fallen off since the break. Consumers bought heavily during the rise, and now are bemoaning the fact, for since the break they expect the market to go back to the old, cheap prices. If wheat should go lower there might be further temporary declines in flour, though it is pretty well held. Most manufacturers are convinced that a foreign demand is needed for baker's flour and lower grades, and they admit that the surplus of such grades must go abroad. There been a large supply of wheat brought forward by the high prices and as the autumn has been exceptionally favorable to put it in good condition, it is not hard to maintain the excellence of the standard on flour. A great deal of flour is sold for forward delivery, some at near the top of the high prices and much more below it.

Dunn's Weekly Review.

Dunn's weekly review, dated at New York, October 19th, places exports of breadstuffs, provisions, petroleum and cattle from the principal ports in September at \$332,086.79 in value against \$370,497.01 last year. But since October first the breadstuffs movement has been almost entirely arrested as is natural with prices at New York higher than at Liverpool and December wheat as high at Chicago as at New York. Perception of the unnatural state of the markets has led to some decline in speculative prices, during the past week, wheat having fallen ½ cents, corn 2½ cents, hogs and lard a quarter, each, cotton an eighth, refined oil the same, and petroleum certificates about one cent. But the enormous

supplies of money still facilitate great activity. the sugar market favors buyers and and in the groceries generally there is some evidence of slacking demand. The wool market continues strong, with the best grades scarce, and prices have again slightly advanced. A firmer feeling is noted in dry goods, though the trade at present is only moderate in volume, and buyers continue to operate with caution. The volume of business is remarkably well sustained notwithstanding the influence of political excitement. Despatches indicate in all sections of the country an impression prevails that more active and prosperous trade may be expected after the election. The business failures occurring throughout the country during the past seven days number for the United States 202, and for Canada 22, or a total of 224, compared with 227 last week, and 211 the week previous.

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